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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
YVES NAOUMENKO ET AL : EXAMINER: FERGUSON, L.
SERIAL NO: 09/498,363 :
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated July 24, 2001, Applicants request the reconsideration of the final rejection of claims 1-7 and 10-19, for the reasons set forth below.

Applicants wish to thank examiners Ferguson and Kelly for the courtesy of an interview on August 23, 2001, at which time the rejection of claims and the applied art were discussed. In particular, Applicants pointed out that the U.S. patent to Rothe et al fails to disclose the claimed exposed edge portion of the first sheet, formed by the offset between the first sheet and the second sheet. As a result of this discussion, the examiners agreed that the rejection based upon Rothe et al would be withdrawn.

